

## DEGREE TASK FORCE OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

<b>Committee Minutes</b>	Degree Task Force Education Committee
<b>Date</b>	March 30, 2017
<b>Time</b>	9:00 AM CST
<b>Location</b>	Iris Room 665 Mainstream Drive
<b>Participants Present</b>	Tim Strange (Chairperson), Kevin Alspaugh, Kevin Spratlin, Drew Hooker, Rick Valentine, Stan Clark, Tommy Copeland, Bill Ruter, Jeff Roberts, Pam Keelser, Andrew Reed, Ray Cook Assistant State EMS Director
<b>Participants Absent</b>	Bernie McBurnett, David Bryant, Roger McDiffit, Jimmy Edwards, Tommy Herron, Dan Wheeley, Chuck Latimer, Donna Tidwell State EMS Director, Merry Mattix

<b>Overall Lead</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Summary/Decisions</b>	<b>Assignments / Next Steps</b>	<b>Responsible Person</b>	<b>Time Frame</b>
<b>Tim Strange</b>	<b>Roll Call/Introduction</b>	Roll Call was completed and there being ten (10) committee members present; hence, a quorum was declared.			
	<b>Question</b>	A question was raised as to attendance and the Chairman is going to discuss the situation with the Board Chairman.		Tim Strange	
<b>Tim Strange</b>	<b>Minute Approval</b>	A motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting was made by Jeff Roberts and seconded by Kevin Alspaugh. Motion carried on voice vote.			
<b>Tim Strange</b>	<b>Survey</b>	Kevin Spratlin gave a report on the progress of the composition of the survey.	Complete the survey and return it to the Subcommittee for approval.	Kevin Spratlin	Next meeting
<b>Tim Strange</b>	<b>Initial Licensure</b>	A report was generated and sent to Andrew Reed by Ray Cook.			
<b>Tim Strange</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	Kevin Spratlin suggested to poll other states to see how they are handling the situation. A motion was made by Kevin Alspaugh and seconded by Tommy Copeland to form a subcommittee to research other states requiring an associate's degree for paramedic licensure.			

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<b>Tim Strange</b>		<p>Motion was not voted on.</p> <p>The Chairman appointed Drew Hooker to Chair the subcommittee, Tommy Copeland, Pam Keelser, and Kevin Alspaugh as members.</p>			
<b>Tim Strange</b>		<p>An open discussion was held on the reasons as to why the task force was formed and what is the endpoint is.</p>			
		<p>Next meeting is Tuesday June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017.</p>			
		<p>Motion to adjourn the meeting was received from Rick Valentine and seconded by Kevin Alsaugh. Motion passed on voice vote.</p>			